

R. C. Fund Drive Kickoff Meeting Scheduled For Mar. 4 In Auditorium

The Torrance area workers for the 1946 American Red Cross fund campaign will hold its "kick-off" rally at the Civic Auditorium, Monday, March 4, at 10 a.m.

I. J. Hallanger, area chairman will preside and Elizabeth Freschl, Red Cross Home Service worker will address the meeting. Campaign kits containing final assignments and instructions will be issued to all workers.

With an expected attendance

of some 100, Chairman Hallanger urged all to attend and said: "The Torrance area quota of \$15,000 in the current drive will go far in continuing the much needed work of the Red Cross. The Red Cross will continue to serve with the help of the American public. Our area must do its part."

"War is never over for the Red Cross," he continued. "A battle is yet being fought by our wounded service men . . . and the Red Cross is with them. The Red Cross is at the side of the men who are serving as occupation troops in foreign lands . . . is helping our veterans make the transition from military to civilian life. The war on disaster, which knows no surrender . . . on disease, on human suffering, goes on unceasingly for the Red Cross."

"The 1946 Fund Campaign of the Red Cross is being conducted through the month of March with a national goal of \$100,000,000. Continuation of services to hospitalized men, armies of occupation, and veterans, as well as community health, educational and disaster relief programs, are being maintained."

"War-time appeals of this great humanitarian organization received generous response from the American people. Citizens gladly contributed funds to carry on recreation and welfare services for men in the armed forces, the blood plasma program, and aid for servicemen's families at home. Equally important to America now are the vital services which the Red Cross is providing as the nation adjusts to a world of peace."

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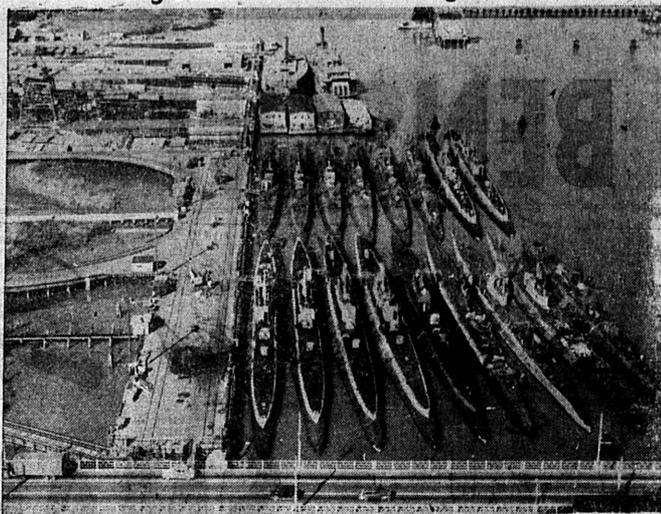
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Pig Boats Aren't Led to Slaughter Here



Pig boats of 19th Fleet aren't getting fat and lazy at Mars Island naval shipyard, despite war's end. Shown are several submarines at berth which could be ready for service on 48 hours notice, the navy says. Others are waiting decommissioning and preservation procedure.

'Right Guide' Column To Be Published

Veterans, attention!

The Torrance Herald in cooperation with the Southern California regional office of the Veterans' Administration starting March 7 will publish a column weekly named "Right Guide" designed to give all veterans the straight facts relative to federal veterans' legislation.

A survey of Torrance shows clearly there is considerable confusion and misunderstanding about the application of the GI and other national bills. L. C. Chapman, manager of the regional office, states many veterans throughout California are not even aware of the benefits offered them by federal legislation. And, if aware, they don't seem to know how to go about applying.

"More than 60 per cent are allowing their National Service Life Insurance to lapse simply because they don't realize its value, or because they don't know what to do with it, where to send their premiums, when they have to convert, etc.," Chapman said. "And insurance is but one of many items the veteran should know about."

"Right Guide" is designed entirely for the guidance of the veteran—to give him the facts. Each weekly column will be filled with valuable information straight from the Veterans' Administration. Every question asked by a veteran in Torrance relative to the application of federal legislation will be answered either directly to him or through the column.

Veterans are urged to use "Right Guide." Hand the questions to the Torrance Herald or send them directly to Right Guide, 1041 So. Broadway, Los Angeles 15, Calif.

De Molay Members Receive Obligation

Twenty-seven members of the Torrance DeMolay Chapter received the obligation of the DeMolay degree at the Redondo Chapter Monday evening, Feb. 25.

The degree had recently been conferred in Long Beach, California, and was completed in a courteous service by the Redondo Chapter, Order of DeMolay.

Officers of the new Chapter will be announced soon by the Advisory Council, and installation of officers will be held on Saturday, March 16.

BIKE LICENSING ORDINANCE GIVEN FIRST READING

Torrance City Council Tuesday night adopted for the first reading an ordinance which will provide for licensing of bicycles in Torrance.

The ordinance provides a fee of fifty cents for the first year; 25 cents for renewal and 25 cents for transfer. Also authorized was the purchase of \$73.55 worth of licenses and tags. The ordinance would take effect July 1, it was said.

EL SALVADOR El Salvador has a coastline of only 160 miles; a population of about 1 1/2 million. Its capital is San Salvador. Chief products are coffee, sugar, tobacco, indigo, timber, rice, balsam and hides.

Welcome Home Veterans

Charles W. Edwards, EM 3/c, 2208 Andreo ave., was separated at the Jacksonville, Fla. Naval Center. No further information was received.

Fred A. Bergson, soundman 2/c, 1968 Lomita Blvd., discharged Feb. 20 at the U. S. Naval Base in Bremerton, Wash.

A. M. Dowell, Jr., son of Armstrong M. Dowell Sr., 525 1/2 Ave., received his discharge at San Pedro following nearly five years of service with the U. S. Navy as a PhM. 1/c aboard the USS Ozark. He participated in the battles of Lingayen Gulf, Iwo Jima and Okinawa. Dowell is a graduate of Torrance high school and attended U.C.L.A. prior to his enlistment.

Reported en route home from Pearl Harbor where they will receive their discharges, the following Navy men have been listed: Harry C. Werwee, CM 2/c, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. Werwee, 22124 So. Main st., and Clemens G. Bender, MM 3/c, husband of Mrs. Irene L. Bender, 1439 W. 221st st.

Also from Pearl Harbor, who arrived aboard the USS General Sturgis is Lt. Alfred J. Glaucheral of this city.

Donald E. Nash, GM 2/c, son of Mrs. R. E. Moore, 1529 W. 213th st., and former Torrance high school student, was discharged from the Navy last Saturday at San Pedro. He entered the service Dec. 14, 1942 and has served 28 months overseas.

Milton A. Lockett, RM 3/c, husband of Mrs. Melra Marie Lockett, 1021 D Walk, Wilmington, who was graduated from Narbonne high school in 1936, has been discharged from the Navy at San Pedro. Lockett enlisted in the Navy in 1944 and served 14 months overseas. He plans to reenter school and study commercial art, according to reports. Lockett is the son of Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Lockett, formerly of Lomita.

Red DeVore Band To Play For Moose Saturday Nights

Red DeVore and his popular "Dream Valley Boys" orchestra, who have been playing for the Thursday night dances at the Moose Hall, have also been engaged starting this week for the regular Saturday evening dances. It is announced by Jim Barker of the local Moose Lodge, sponsors of the semi-weekly dancing parties.

This information was received too late to correct the advertisement appearing on page 2-B.

STORKatorial's

Children born to local parents in the Torrance Memorial hospital during the past week included those of the following:

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Clements, 1615 W. 216th st., girl, Feb. 24, 6:10 a.m.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Lindsey, 1340 W. 218th st., boy, Feb. 22, 3:54 a.m.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard L. Perkins, 2407 Border ave., boy, Feb. 21, 1:37 p.m.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond L. Ramsey, 1516 W. 203rd st., boy, Feb. 23, 1:49 a.m.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Spencer, 1643 W. 203rd st., girl, Feb. 24, 2:42 a.m.

New Gardena Publisher Is Taken By Death

Amos Dow, 47, of 515 So. Sloan ave., Compton, who recently purchased the Gardena Valley News, died Feb. 22 at Sawtelle Veterans hospital, where he had been taken about a month ago for treatment of a pulmonary ailment.

The family announced that the widow, Mrs. Agnes E. Dow, will carry on the operation of the newspaper. Other survivors are three sons and a daughter, Diane.

Dow, a Compton resident for 17 years and former business manager of the Compton News-Tribune, held the rank of captain in the U. S. Army from service in World War I. He was a member of the American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars and of the Compton Elks Lodge.

In 1939 he purchased the Goldfield News at Goldfield, Nev., and while in that state served a term as state assemblyman. Mrs. Dow is a newspaperwoman and she has the assistance of Lew Guild, former owner of the Gardena Valley News, who remained on the editorial staff after sale of the plant to Dow.

Dow served 18 months in France and Germany in World War I. He took part in five major engagements and was twice wounded, for which he received the Purple Heart with an oak leaf cluster.

Torrance High Red Cross Drive Starts Friday

March 1, 1946, has been set as the official date for the beginning of the Red Cross drive. However, for Torrance high school the drive will begin on Monday, March 4, and last through the week from March 4th to 8th only.

The Tartar Knights and Ladies, under the sponsorship of Raphael Demler, shop teacher, and Red Cross chairman, have placed Red Cross posters in retail stores, filling stations, hotel lobbies, and other places throughout the town.

There will be a movie in the high school auditorium entitled "The Long Road Back" showing how the Red Cross is helping servicemen and women on the way back home. Horace D. Roberts who is a Red Cross worker will also speak.

A goal of \$500 has been set for the school, which averages fifty cents per student. This is a high goal, but Torrance high school can be counted on to go over the top, as has been witnessed in other drives.

HOG FARM HEARING TO BE HELD ON MARCH 8 IN L.A.

A hearing on the application of Lafayette Blocker for a hog and garbage feeding farm north of Carson st. at the end of Bonita, in county territory several miles east of Torrance, will be conducted before the County Regional Planning Commission at 11:30 a.m. March 8, according to Blaine Walker, secretary, Torrance Chamber of Commerce.

The hearing will be held in room 612, Civic Center Bldg., Second st. and Broadway.

TEXTILE CITY

The city of Greenville, S. C., is one of the widely known textile cities of the South.

Did You Make \$1415? That's Year's Average

California's civilian per capita income for 1945 was \$1415, with residents receiving a total of \$11,492,100,000, according to unofficial preliminary estimates released today by the research department of the California State Chamber of Commerce.

The estimated 1945 per capita income is under the \$1540 California civilian per capita income for 1944. It is still well above the 1944 national per capita of \$1177, and California's per capita income of \$737 in 1939.

Decline in intensive wartime manufacture—with high wages and heavy overtime—accounted for most of the disparity between the state's 1945 civilian income total and the \$12,263,400,000 total of 1944—all-time high in the state's income history.

Compared with California's 1939 civilian income total of \$5,013,000,000, the 1945 preliminary figures indicate a gain of over 129 per cent, the State Chamber's survey shows.

Heavy influx of population during the war period accounted for part of California's income increase. Major factor was due to higher incomes. Continued civilian population growth is indicated in the figures, as are the arrivals of demobilized service personnel returning or immigrating to the Golden State.

Salaries and wages, including agricultural activities, account for \$7,999,700,000, or 67 per cent of California's estimated 1945 total individual income. The same classification totalled \$3,015,700,000 of the 1939 income.

Proprietors' income—net profits for personal use by proprietors and partners in non-corporate enterprises—rose from \$750,200,000 in 1939 to \$1,838,800,000 last year, according to the State Chamber's estimates.



EDUCATION ABROAD—Members of 1st Cavalry Division have established seven unit schools for GIs in the Tokyo-Yokohama area. More than 1,260 students have enrolled and more are expected to sign up for courses in various trades. Above, GIs receiving instructions from Jap teacher Ohta in the art of engraving jewelry.

New County Park East of Torrance Being Proposed

According to Supervisor Raymond V. Darby, a plan for the creation of a combined school and park area in the Avalon-Sepulveda Community Area has been submitted to the county, which would add another much needed park to that area.

The developers of the area have made arrangements with the City of Los Angeles School District to acquire a plot of six acres for elementary school purposes, and have offered to dedicate an additional six acres adjoining the school site on the north for park purposes provided the county will purchase 7.06 acres immediately north of the school site.

The nearest park sites to the property at present are: Lomita Park, 2 1/2 miles west, and Banning Park, (a Los Angeles City Park), 2 miles to the south.

The Regional Planning Commission has studied the plan and reported favorably to the Board at its Tuesday meeting. On motion of Supervisor Darby, the matter was referred to the Mechanical Department, the Department of Parks and Recreation, and the Chief Administrator's office for further study and report on the matters of initial cost of the 7.06 acres to be purchased, the cost of development and operation of the park when acquired, and the probability of a working arrangement with the Los Angeles School District on the use and maintenance of the recreational area.

Washington's Interest In Oil Reported

George Washington recognized the industrial importance of petroleum sufficiently to acquire oil producing lands a hundred years before the first producing well was sunk at Titusville, Penn., on August 27, 1859.

On the occasion of the birth date of the first president of the United States this bit of history was listed by John C. Sample, general manager of the marketing department of General Petroleum Corp., as one among many similar examples of Washington's remarkable foresight in economic as well as military affairs.

"According to petroleum historians," Sample said, "Washington was visiting in western Pennsylvania in 1783 when he learned of the existence of oil there."

"Evidently he acquired oil producing lands as a speculation, for these were listed in his will as valuable holdings."

"He wrote: 'This tract was taken up by General Lewis and myself on account of the bituminous spring which it contains, of so inflammable a nature as to burn as freely as spirits, and is as nearly difficult to extinguish.'"

"This was uncommon foresight," Sample remarked, "when it is considered that even in the early 1800s oil used principally as a medicine in the United States, was regarded by some as a benefit, and by others as a nuisance. Since then oil has become the life blood on which our present economy is dependent."

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